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Daylight murder in front of Dasara Exhibition Grounds

ARRESTED

- 6 persons from various parts of city taken into custody
- All six suspected killers are in their mid to early 20s
- Police hit streets on foot to prevent repercussions

SUSPECTS: 1. Keerthi Kumar, 28 years, Naidu Nagar 2. Hallappa, 24 years, Gayatripuram 3. Nandan, 27 years, Veerangere 4. Nirup, 28 years, Sidhartha Layout, all residents of Mysuru city. The other two suspects Bharat, 22 years, Nazarbad and Dhruva Kumar, 24 years from Mylapura, Mandya, were sitting in the auto behind the car. Picture right shows Police on a night patrol yesterday.

Mysuru, Oct. 8 (RK,BCT&BS)- Just a day after the chilling broad-daylight murder of 38-year-old moneylender Venkatesh, alias Gilki Venkatesh, near Mysore Palace on Doddakere Maidan Main Road, City Police cracked the case by arresting six persons within 24 hours of the incident.

Venkatesh

The accused

City Police Commissioner Seema Latkar identified the arrested as: Keerthi Kumar, 28, of Naidu Nagar; Hallappa, 24, of Gayathripuram; Nandan, 27, of Veerangere; Nirup, 28, of Siddartha Layout; Bharath, 22, of Nazarbad; and Dhruvakumar, 24, from Mylapura in Mandya district.

Acting on clues from the crime scene and following the viral circulation of incident photos on social media, Nazarbad Police traced the accused to their hideouts on the outskirts of the city in the early hours today.

The suspects are being questioned at an undisclosed location. Preliminary theories suggest a possible link to Venkatesh's alleged involvement in the murder of rowdy-sheeter Karthik of Kyathamaranahalli in front of a lodge at Varuna in May this year.

In the immediate aftermath of the murder, the City Police stepped up security with extensive foot patrols across multiple areas to prevent any further repercussions.

Patrols were conducted across the Narasimharaja Constituency, including Udayagiri, Mandi Mohalla, Kyathamaranahalli (Venkatesh's residence), Lashkar Mohalla and Nazarbad. The operations were led by jurisdictional Inspectors along with Commando Force units and City Crime Branch (CCB) sleuths.

(See ARRESTED on page 6)

STAR OF MYSORE

"We believe comment is free, but facts are sacred."

Editor: M. GOVINDE GOWDA, M.A.

Mysuru, Wednesday 8th October 2025

STAR PUNCH

By Satish Acharya

EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

AGREEMENTS WITH SELF: ***Principles are the anchors which help us go through life. Or as Mexican author Don Miguel Ruiz calls them, agreements, which one makes with oneself, our credo to self.***

Ruiz quoting Toltec philosophy breaks down these agreements into four pillars. Being impeccable with your word is the first. *Peccable* ***is Latin, for sin — impeccable thus means without sin, implying integrity. What this also implies is that one should use the power of words to speak the truth — and yes, it would help if one only spoke what one means and not be fork-tongued. The second pillar is not to take anything personally — but to understand that whatever others say or do is more about the person speaking.***

We should remember that when we are taking things personally it is also a reflection of ourselves since we assume everything is about 'me.' The third pillar is never to assume but to ask questions to ascertain the truth. This is especially relevant in all human relationships — the best way to sour a relationship is by assuming things without ascertaining the factual position. The final pillar is to always do your best — an idea which strikes a chord with the philosophy of the Bhagwad Gita with its emphasis on doing your duty without concerning ourselves with the results. What this implies is that one should avoid self-judgement, remorse and regret. Thus, one must self-reflect, ponder and not get bogged down by failure but to stand up and do your very best again.

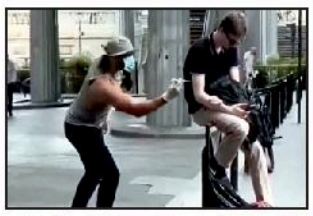
As can be seen there are striking similarities with other spiritual and religious traditions. *Satya,* ***truthfulness in though, words and actions is a theme running across faiths.*** *Kshama* ***or forgiveness, the ability to let go of resentment and anger is another virtue so critical in every faith. These virtues are developed only when one introspects; self-awareness being the path to spiritual awakening. This is a theme which runs across Advaita Vedanta, Christianity, Islam, Buddhism.***

The tragedy is that we all know what is right and wrong, yet chose to take the path of deceit and falsehood in pursuit of instant success. We live in a world where it would appear that honesty is not rewarded — and sadly in some instances even punished. Doing the right thing and being true is challenging.

However, ultimately each of us must arrive at our respective agreements, our principles, which are irrevocable, principles to live by and die for. There can be no better principles than truth and forgiveness, introspection and hard work to help us lead a fulfilling life. *—Najib Shah in Deccan Herald*

NEWS SPARKLERS

Jailed for syringe prank videos!



Paris: A French social media influencer who pranked people on the streets of Paris by pretending to inject them with syringes has been sentenced to six months in prison.

Amine Mojito, whose real name is Ilan M., became a viral sensation after he started posting social media clips wherein he spoofed injecting bystanders with an empty syringe around Paris, during a time when genuine fear of such attacks was at an all-time high.

After being accused, the influencer defended himself by claiming that he never intended to hurt people and that he only copied the prank from other countries in order to promote himself. However, prosecutors showed that some of his victims were so traumatised by the sick prank that they had to be hospitalised for mental health assessments.

Hospitalised after eating 3-kg gummies

Yorkshire: A 33-year-old UK truck driver needed emergency treatment after consuming a large quantity of gummies in a relatively short period of time.

Nathan Rimington, a truck driver from Yorkshire, reportedly ordered a 3kg (6.6 pounds) container of Haribo Cola Jelly from Amazon after getting a craving for gummy candies. He proceeded to consume the 10,461kcal-worth of gummies in just three days, and started experiencing serious physical symptoms shortly after.

He was taken to the emergency room with severe abdominal pain, sweating, high blood pressure, and cold sweat. Initially, the medical staff suspected that the man was suffering from food poisoning, but further tests revealed unusually high levels of gelatin in his digestive tract. After performing several tests, Rimington was diagnosed with acute diverticulitis, a condition in which small protrusions, called diverticula, form in the colon wall, causing infection or inflammation.

HEALTH CAPSULE

Periodic thyroid checks are essential — thyroid imbalance can disturb heart rhythm.

By Dr. C. B. Keshavamurthy - Senior Consultant – Interventional Cardiology, Manipal Hospital, Mysuru

manipalhospitals LIFE'S ON

** Health Capsule is not intended to be of a diagnostic nature*

'Dhwani Kotta Dhani' award to be presented on Oct. 11

Manjunath *Ramesh Uthappa* *Srinivas* *Seethalakshmi*

Mysuru, Oct. 8- 'Dhwani Kotta Dhani' award will be presented to four achievers from different fields at a programme organised under the aegis of city's Ursu Jagruti Academy Charitable Trust, at the Institution of Engineers on JLB Road, at 10.45 am on Oct. 11, in celebration of the 77th birthday of Bharat Scouts and Guides State Commissioner P.G.R. Sindhia, who is also a former Karnataka Minister.

The awardees are V. Manjunath, currently serving as Hassan Additional Deputy Commissioner, Iythichanda Ramesh Uthappa, Resident Editor, *Vijaya Karnataka*, Mysuru, Srinivas Bahaddur, Director, Vaidyavartha Prakashana and Jahnavi Seethalakshmi Verma, a Limericks writer and Litterateur of Mangaluru.

MLC Dr. D. Thimmaiah will inaugurate the event in the presence of Suttur Mutt Seer Sri Shivarathri Deshikendra Swamiji. MLA Tanveer Sait and Chutuku Yugacharya Dr. M.G.R. Urs will deliver the felicitation address.

For more details, contact Mob: 94484-02092.

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REALLY...?

- *Elephants have created their very own sunscreen! After a river or swamp bath, they'll throw mud and sand up and over themselves to protect their skin from hot, burning sun.*
- *These magnificent mammals spend between 12 to 18 hours eating grass, plants and fruit every single day. They use their long trunks to smell the food and lift it up into their mouth.*

LAUGHTER THE BEST MEDICINE

Teacher: *You wrote only ten lines on milk while others wrote pages, why?*

Student: *Because I wrote on condensed milk!*

TODAY'S CURRENCY RATE

1 US Dollar	= **Rs. 88.77**
1 UK Pound	= **Rs. 118.87**
1 UAE Dirham	= **Rs. 24.17**
1 Euro	= **Rs. 103.14**

VOICE OF THE READER

24x7 trains, but no 24x7 prepaid auto service

Sir,

This has reference to the prepaid auto stand at City Railway Station Main Gate. There are two counters — one inside and one outside. One wonders who is monitoring these. Are they really meant to serve travellers? If yes, why are they closed between 2100 hrs (9 pm) and 0800 hrs (8 am)? Such a service should ideally function 24x7.

Trains operate round-the-clock and travellers need to return home at all hours. At the very least, one counter could operate on a 12-hour shift.

The prepaid auto facility at the Suburban Bus Stand is highly appreciated as it functions 24x7 for the benefit of travellers.

Between 2100 hrs and 0800 hrs, passengers are forced to rely on app-based operators like Ola and Uber. Their service is even worse — there is no monitoring of drivers, who often cancel bookings upon seeing short distances or lower fares.

This leaves passengers at the mercy of auto drivers who fleece them freely.

Will the authorities concerned look into this matter and streamline the system?

—A.V. Prasanna
Mysuru
5.10.2025

Samantha is Joyalukkas' new Brand Ambassador

Samantha Ruth Prabhu

Mysuru, Oct. 8- Samantha Ruth Prabhu, the Lady Superstar, is the new Brand Ambassador of Joyalukkas, the world's favourite jeweller.

The award-winning actor will bring her inimitable charisma to represent Joyalukkas jewellery's timeless designs and inspiring legacy of craftsmanship across international markets.

This association brings together two icons that share a deep connection with perfection, authenticity and grace — Samantha and celebrated actor Kajol.

Samantha's endearing charm and *savoir faire* perfectly mirror Joyalukkas' journey of over three decades, built on artistry, trust and an unwavering commitment to delighting millions of customers worldwide.

"Samantha embodies the spirit of the modern woman — confident, stylish and truly distinctive. Her persona resonates deeply with our ethos of celebrating life's treasured moments with fine jewellery," said Dr. Joy Alukkas, Chairman, Joyalukkas Group adding "We are honoured to welcome her into the Joyalukkas family as we continue to inspire jewellery lovers."

Sharing her excitement, Samantha Ruth Prabhu commented, "Jewellery has forever been a personal expression of who I am — a tale of emotion, celebration and strength behind every piece. Joyalukkas embodies all these aspects and more. I'm thrilled to partner with a brand that celebrates beauty with substance and inspires women everywhere to shine with confidence."

The association will soon come alive through an integrated global campaign, where Samantha will represent Joyalukkas' rich design heritage in her own special way and further elevate the brand's universal appeal across global markets and cultures.

Community health talk marks World Heart Day at Manipal Hospital

Mysuru, Oct. 8 (KS)- On the occasion of World Heart Day, Manipal Hospital, Mysuru, had organised a special interactive session on preventive cardiology at its premises in city recently.

In line with this year's theme, 'Don't Miss a Beat,' the event addressed queries on heart health risks and prevention of diseases through continuous vigilance, regular check-ups and heart-healthy habits.

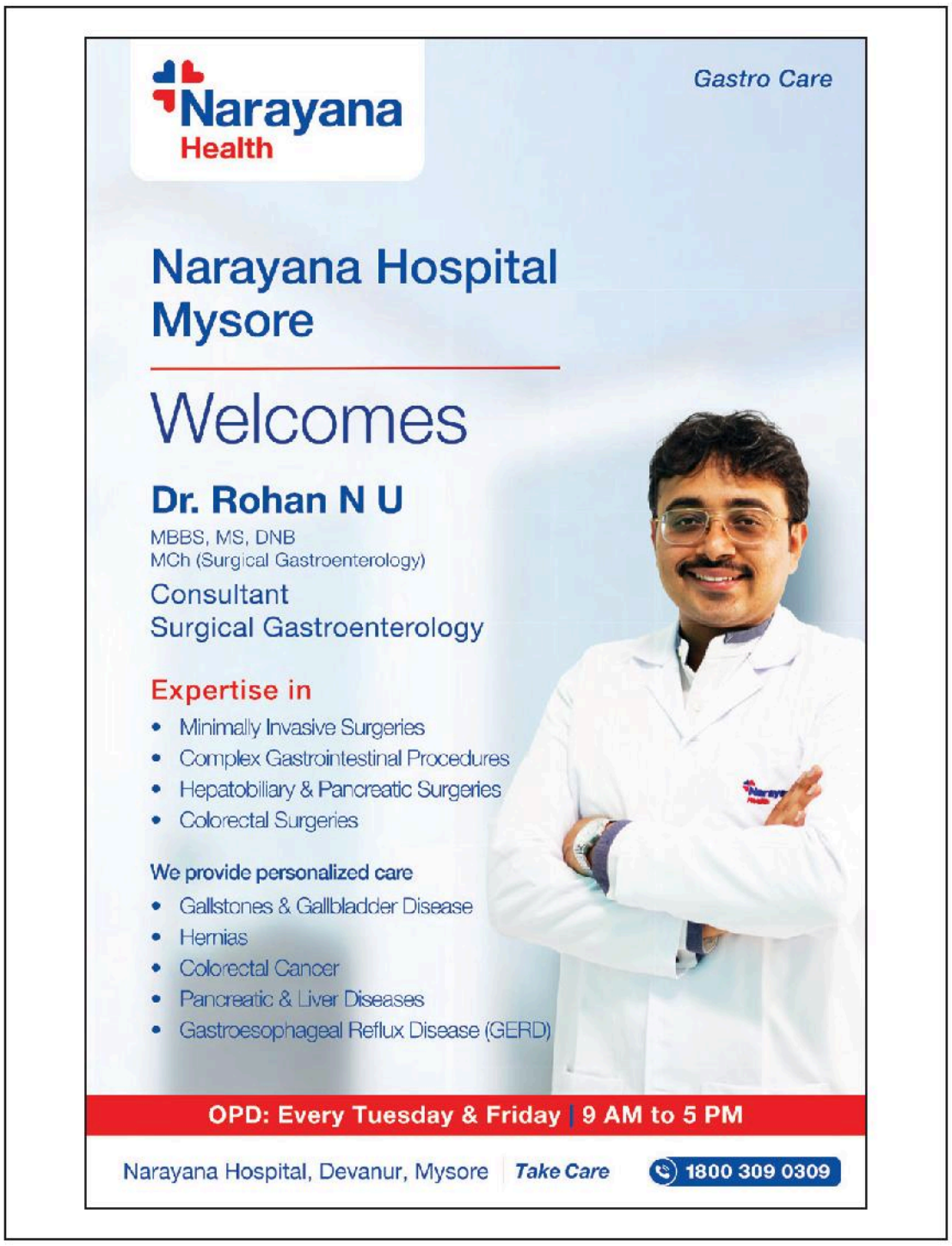
With an attendance of over 128 participants, the event saw the presence of leading specialists Dr. Upendra Shenoy, Consultant Cardio Thoracic & Vascular Surgery, Dr. C.B. Keshavamurthy, Senior Consultant Interventional Cardiology, Dr. Sharath Babu, Consultant Interventional Cardiology and J. Kavya, Senior Dietician, who addressed timely detection, lifestyle changes and barriers unique to Indian communities regarding heart disease.

Inaugurating the session, Dr. Shenoy noted, "For Indians, genetic predisposition and lifestyle factors increase the risk of heart disease, especially among younger populations and Indians living abroad who face unique risks because of our racial predilection for heart disease. This is why it is important to notice the slightest symptoms like chest pain, breathlessness, palpitations and fatigue, which can help us recognise issues early on and reduce the growing burden of cardiac conditions."

Talking about preventive care, Dr. Keshavamurthy explained, "About 80 percent of heart disease and strokes are preventable with consistent attention and timely intervention. Through sustainable actions like eating healthy, staying active, managing stress and seeking medical evaluation even before symptoms appear, we can take control of our heart health."

The event also touched upon major treatment options, such as angioplasty and bypass surgery, which are recommended based on the extent of coronary artery blockage.

Participants had the opportunity to engage with the experts, who patiently addressed all their concerns related to heart.



NEWS BRIEFS

Seminar on 'AI in Healthcare'

Suyog Clinical Society and Suyog Group of Medical Institution have organised a Seminar on 'Artificial Intelligence (AI) in Healthcare' at the Seminar Hall, 4th Floor, Suyog Hospital, tomorrow (Oct. 9) at 4.30 pm. Dr. C.R. Adithya, Professor and Head, AI & ML, Vidyavardhaka College of Engineering, Mysuru, will inaugurate. Dr. Vikram Patil, Professor of Radiology & Dy. Dean (Research), JSS AHER, Mysuru, will be the speaker. Dr. S.P. Yoganna, Chairman, Suyog Hospital, Mysuru, will preside. Sudha Yoganna, Trustee, will be the chief guest.

Railway Pensioners monthly meeting

The monthly meeting of Railway Pensioners Welfare Association will be held at A Manuel Hall, Seshadri Iyer Road, on Oct. 11 at 11.30 am. G.S. Swaminathan, General Secretary, will address the Pensioners. S.V. Premananda, former General Secretary and Train Manager, will be honoured. R. Basavaraju, Working President, will preside over the meeting. A. Dyavanna, Vice-President, will be present. Digital Life Certificate will be issued to pensioners aged 80 years and above from 10 am onwards. For details, contact Mob: 91130-68327 or 94493-22657.

Annual General Body Meeting

The Annual General Body Meeting (AGM) of Mysuru mattu Chamarajanagara Jilla Madya Vartakara Sangha will be held at No. 7, G.T.K., K.H.B., Adichuchanagiri Road, Kuvempunagar in city, on Oct. 12 at 11 am. For details, contact Mob: 99451-36122.

Aadhaar seeding for SC students

The Social Welfare Department has asked all eligible SC community students who have not seeded their Aadhaar till now, to seed Aadhaar number with Bank account for availing Post-Matric Student Scholarship. The beneficiary students, whose annual income of parents does not exceed Rs. 2.5 lakh, are required to get their Aadhaar number seeded after mapping with National Payment Corporation of India (NPCI), by the end of December 2025, failing which the sanctioned student scholarships will not be credited to their Bank account. For details, visit the Department office located in Dr. Babu Jagjivan Ram Bhavan, Adipampa Road, Vontikoppal East, Paduvarahalli, Mysuru, or contact Ph: 0821-2520910, according to a press release.

History must reflect truth, not biases, says Yaduveer

Addanda Cariappa's book 'Nijamahatma Babasaheba' released

Mysuru, Oct. 8 (PM&BCT)- Mysuru-Kodagu MP Yaduveer Krishnadatta Chamaraja Wadiyar stressed the need to back Addanda C. Cariappa in his bold pursuit to uncover historical truths. "We must all take part in presenting factual history to the public," he said.

He was speaking at the launch of Cariappa's book 'Nijamahatma Babasaheba' held at Mini Theatre in Kalamandira premises last evening.

The event was jointly organised by Akhila Bharatiya Sahitya Parishad, Mysuru and Rangabhoomi Trust, Kodagu.

"This is a commendable initiative by Cariappa," Yaduveer noted. "Post-independence Indian history has largely been controlled by one dominant group, and we've been reading only that version. Textbooks tell us that after the Quit India Movement, the British agreed to grant independence and that peace followed. But the truth was far more complex. Many great individuals played key roles in achieving freedom."

He underscored Dr. B.R. Ambedkar's vital contribution to the freedom struggle, lamenting that his efforts were long neglected. "Dr. Ambedkar was a brilliant economist, yet he was denied the finance portfolio. The Congress and Nehru committed a grave injustice against him," Yaduveer remarked.

MP Yaduveer Wadiyar (3rd from right) releasing the book 'Nijamahatma Babasaheba' at a programme held at Mini Theatre in Kalamandira premises last evening as (from left) Kodagu's Rangabhoomi Trust Secretary Anitha Cariappa, author Addanda Cariappa, Dr. N. Chandrashekar of Aadithya Adhikari Hospital, RSS leader M. Venkataram, Akhila Bharatiya Sahitya Parishad Mysuru District President S. Subrahmanya and Parishad Zonal Head Dr. V. Ranganath look on.

Mysore inspired Dr. Ambedkar: Though Dr. Ambedkar never visited the Mysore Princely State, its progressive governance deeply influenced his vision. As early as 1918, Mysore had introduced reservation policies and model administrative reforms. These measures greatly inspired Dr. Ambedkar while drafting the Constitution. Mysore's royal court also ensured social inclusion by opening its doors to Dalits and all communities — a move Dr. Ambedkar had praised, particularly under Nalwadi Krishnaraja Wadiyar's rule.

Theatre as a medium of truth: Social activist Vadiraj described theatre as a powerful means of social expression. "Writing and staging plays is a demanding task. Cariappa has taken this challenging path and gone further by authoring a book based on his play — a rare achievement," he said.

Through this work, Cariappa sheds light on forgotten historical truths and overlooked personalities.

The play, structured in seven acts, revolves around a dialogue between Dr. Ambedkar and Mahatma Gandhi — forming the core of the drama. It challenges the moral authority of the Congress under Gandhi, which accused the British of enslaving Indians even as untouchability persisted within India. Dr. Ambedkar had raised this moral dilemma before the Simon Commission, which was tasked with framing India's roadmap to independence.

Earlier, tributes were paid to the late Kannada novelist Dr. S.L. Bhyrappa and writer Mogalli Ganesh by Prof. B.V. Vasanthakumar. A minute's silence was observed in their memory.

The event was attended by RSS leader M. Venkataram, Dr. N. Chandrashekar of Aadithya Adhikari Hospital, Akhila Bharatiya Sahitya Parishad Zonal Head Dr. V. Ranganath, Parishad Mysuru District President S. Subrahmanya, Rangabhoomi Trust (Kodagu) Secretary Anitha Cariappa and former Rangayana Director and author Adanda C. Cariappa, among others.

Play 'Nijamahatma Babasaheba' to be staged in city from Oct. 13

Mysuru, Oct. 8 (PM&BCT)- As the Rashtriya Swayamsevak Sangh (RSS) marks its centenary, playwright Adanda Cariappa has announced that his play 'Nijamahatma Babasaheba' will include a compelling scene featuring a fictional dialogue between RSS Founder Dr. Keshav Baliram Hedgewar and Dr. B.R. Ambedkar. The play is scheduled to première on Oct. 13 at Mini Theatre in Kalamandira premises.

"Babasaheb's legacy has always stirred my conscience," said Cariappa. "Kuvempu Bhasha Bharathi Pradhikara has published 22 volumes on Dr. Ambedkar. His second wife, Dr. Savita Ambedkar, wrote 'Dr. Ambedkar Sahavasadalli,' and his Secretary Nanak Chand Rattu authored 'Last Few Years of Dr. Ambedkar.' I have studied these works in depth," he said.

Among the books that shaped his writing, Cariappa highlighted 'Samajika Krantisoorya Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar' by Dattopant Thengadi, translated into Kannada by Chandrashekhar Bhandari.

"This book became my primary reference," he said. "Thengadi, an RSS Pracharak, documented Dr. Ambedkar's criticisms of the RSS and Hinduism without dilution. It also mentions a meeting between Hedgewar and Dr. Ambedkar in Nagpur."

Narrator as Thengadi

Cariappa revealed that he chose to feature Thengadi as the narrator in the play. "Some may consider it unconventional, but I believe the narrator strengthens the narrative," he explained.

He also addressed the portrayal of Mahatma Gandhi in the script. "Dr. Ambedkar never referred to Gandhi as 'Mahatma' — he always called him 'Mr. Gandhi.' Still, I've chosen to use 'Gandhiji' in the dialogue. Dr. Ambedkar viewed Gandhi as authoritarian and untrustworthy. His towering influence eclipsed other national heroes, keeping Babasaheb's contributions in the shadows for nearly two decades after independence," Cariappa noted.

He shared that the play was the outcome of four years of meticulous research, during which he studied 42 books, made extensive notes and refined the script.

'Nijamahatma Babasaheba' will be staged on Oct. 13, 14 and 16 at Mini Theatre in Kalamandira premises, Mysuru.

Hasanamba Utsava

KSRTC to run 115 additional buses

Hassan, Oct. 8 (SPN&BS)- In view of Hasanamba Utsava to be held Oct. 9 to Oct. 23, KSRTC will be specially operating 115 additional buses from Mysuru and other districts to Hassan.

From KSRTC Mysuru Urban Division alone, 30 buses will be operated, followed by 20 each from Mysuru Rural Division, Mandya and Tumakuru Divisions and 25 from Chikkamagaluru Division, totalling 115 buses, according to a communication dispatched to the office of respective Divisional Controllers from KSRTC Mechanical Engineer.

The Divisional Controllers of all the five districts are in constant touch with their counterpart in Hassan.

They will be launching special operation of buses from this afternoon itself, as per passenger demand.

Mysuru gets new Bishop

Rev. Dr. Francis Serrao installed at St. Joseph's Cathedral

Most Rev. Dr. Francis Serrao SJ (holding the crozier), who was installed as the new Bishop of Mysuru is seen with Most Rev. Dr. Bernard Moras (left), who had served as Apostolic Administrator of Mysuru Diocese and Archbishop of Bengaluru Most Rev. Dr. Peter Machado. Picture right shows people greeting new Bishop Rev. Dr. Peter Machado.

Mysuru, Oct. 8 (VVH&KS)- Most Rev. Dr. Francis Serrao SJ was installed as the new Bishop of Mysuru at the installation ceremony organised at St. Joseph's Cathedral, St. Philomena's Church in city yesterday.

The new Bishop was installed by Archbishop of Bengaluru Most Rev. Dr. Peter Machado, who announced that Pope Leo XIV had appointed Rev. Dr. Francis Serrao SJ as the new Bishop of Mysuru.

Following the Eucharistic Celebration, a felicitation programme was held which was presided by Apostolic Nuncio to India and Nepal Most Rev. Dr. Leopoldo Girelli. The event also included a farewell tribute to Most Rev. Dr. Bernard Moras, who had served as Apostolic Administrator of Mysuru Diocese since January 2023.

The installation ceremony, which lasted over two hours, included the reading of the Papal Bull of Appointment, officially marking the beginning of Bishop Serrao's pastoral leadership in Mysuru. After taking the oath of office, Bishop Serrao was felicitated by several Bishops, Priests, religious leaders, and hundreds of faithful, who had gathered to witness this spiritual milestone.

Speaking after taking charge as the new Bishop, Most Rev. Dr. Francis Serrao SJ thanked Pope Leo XIV for giving him the responsibility to take Mysuru Diocese forward and sought the co-operation of Priests, religious leaders and the people.

The present Diocese of Mysuru comprises Mysuru, Mandya, Kodagu and Chamarajanagar districts. It has over 1.2 lakh Catholic population in 90 parishes, 128 Priests, several religious men and women serving in the Diocese. The diocese was shepherded by Archbishop Emeritus, Most Rev. Dr. Bernard Moras as the Apostolic Administrator of the Diocese. The Mysuru Diocese continues to render its service to the humanity in spiritual, educational, healthcare and social dimensions throughout the 4 civil districts of Karnataka.

Apostolic Administrator of Mysuru Diocese Most Rev. Dr. Bernard Moras, Mysore Diocesan Educational Society Secretary Rev. Fr. Edward Saldanha and others were present.

Profile: Born on Aug. 15, 1959, in Moodbidri, Bishop Francis Serrao is the youngest of 11 children in a devout family, with 5 of his brothers serving as priests and one sister as a religious nun.

He was ordained a Jesuit Priest on Apr. 30, 1992, and dedicated his Ministry to serving dalit and tribal communities, while also teaching theology and later serving as Rector of St. Aloysius College in Mangaluru.

On Mar. 19, 2014, Pope Francis appointed him as the Bishop of Shivamogga, and he was ordained Bishop on May 7, 2014 at Sacred Heart Cathedral, Shivamogga. With his motto "Service of Faith, Fullness of Life," he guided the diocese with a spirit of pastoral care and social commitment.

Now appointed to shepherd the Diocese of Mysuru, Bishop Serrao brings with him rich pastoral experience, missionary zeal and a deep commitment to faith, education and social justice.

Juloose Ghousia procession in city

Mysuru, Oct. 8 (KS)- Juloose Ghousia procession, organised by Hafeez Ulla Shariff Khadri, Convenor of Sarkar Mehaboob Subhani Foundation at Lashkar Mohalla as part of Annual Sandal Urus Shariff of Sufi Saint Hazarath Shaik Abdul Khadar Jeelani Baghdad Shariff, was taken out in city recently.

The procession commenced after Zohar Salath (2.45 pm) in front of Masjid-e-Azam on Ashoka Road. Hazarath Moulana Fasiulla Warsi, Vice-Principal of Azam Arabic College, Masjid-e-Azam, performed Fatha Khawni, Darud Salam, Duwa (supplication), hoisted the flag and distributed Tabruk sweet.

Masjid-e-Azam Managing Committee Secretary S.M. Syed Shafeeq Razvi, Meena Bazar Merchants' Association President

Ilyas Baig Khadree, social worker Mirza Jamsheed Baig Ashrafi, Hon. Imam of Eidgah Masjid Hazarath Hafiz Tabraiz Raza, Ahmed Pasha Khadree Khadim of Darga Hazarath Saifuddin Sha Khadree, Hafiz Amanulla Warsi Mubleeqin Dawath Islami, Syed Jameel Khadree, Tabraiz Khushali, Imam of Masjid-e-Azam Hafiz Mohammed Salman and others were present.

The procession, along with Arabic Madries from various parts of city and devotees, passed through Sawday Road, Dr. Zakir Hussain Circle (Mission Hospital Circle), Eidgah Masjid Road, Pulikeshi Road and stopped at Muslim Burial Grounds where tributes were paid for departed souls.

The procession continued through K.T. Street, Sunni Chowk, K.R. Park Road, St. Philomena's Church Circle, Sultan Sait Block and culminated at Masjid-e-Azam premises.

Programme Convener Hafeezulla Shariff felicitated Ilyas Baig Khadree, with a shawl and garland. Ghousia Tabruk was arranged before and after the procession.

Hear hit songs of actor Dr. Vishnuvardhan

Vishnuvardhan

Mysuru, Oct. 8 (GA&BS)- Sound N Rhythm orchestra troupe of the city, will be rendering songs from the films of late actor *Sahasa Simha* Dr. Vishnuvardhan tomorrow (Oct. 9) at 5.30 pm at Sri Nadabrahma Sangeetha Sabha on JLB Road in city.

Head of the orchestra troupe A.S. Ravishankar told media persons at Pathrakarthara Bhavana here yesterday, a total of 16 singers will be rendering 29 songs. The singers are amateur, but have been well-trained in karaoke singing. Entry is free for the public to watch the programme.

Nagendra, Manjula, K.D. Thimmaraju and Gangadhar were present at the press meet.

'Home of Fruit Bats'

wins prize in Zoo Photography Contest

City photo-journalist and wildlife photographer S.R. Madhusudhan has secured second prizes in both In-situ (Home of Fruit Bats) and Ex-situ (Tigers playing in water at Zoo) categories of photography competition organised by Sri Chamarajendra Zoological Gardens (Mysuru Zoo) recently as part of 71st Wildlife Week Celebrations-2025. Picture shows the prize winning 'Home of Fruit Bats' photo.

Denial of honorarium to Dasara Mahouts, Kavadis

Kannada Vedike protests delay, alleges fund mismanagement

Mysuru, Oct. 8 (MTY&DM)-Condemning the non-payment of honorarium to Mahouts and Kavadis of Dasara elephants, members of Mysuru Kannada Vedike staged a protest near the old Deputy Commissioner's Office along Hunsur Road yesterday.

Highlighting the crucial role of Mahouts and Kavadis in the success of the grand Dasara procession, the demonstrators alleged that while they were traditionally given a warm send-off along with their honorarium, this year they were sent empty-handed, raising suspicions of corruption in Dasara fund management.

The protestors also pointed to allegations of mismanagement, misappropriation of funds and irregularities during Dasara. They claimed that many Gold Card holders (worth Rs. 6,500) were denied entry to the Palace premises on Vijayadashami day, while relatives of politicians were allowed to occupy prominent positions in the procession — an act they termed nepotism.

The Vedike demanded immediate payment of honorarium to the Mahouts and Kavadis.

Vedike President S. Balakrishna and office-bearers, including Nalabeedi Ravi, Gurubasappa, Gopi, Palace Babu, Siddappa, Harish, Govindaraju, Swamy, Chinnappa, Shivu Gowda, Madappa, Sunil and others, participated in the protest.

Palace Board clarifies

In response, Palace Board officials stated that the delay in honorarium payment was due to the Forest Department submitting the list of Mahouts and Kavadis late. The list was received on Oct. 5, which was a bank holiday.

Pointing out that honorariums were traditionally paid in cash, the Palace Board said that this year the payments will be directly credited to their bank accounts.

Daylight murder: Six arrested

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Background, murder occurrence

Venkatesh, a resident of Kyathamaranahalli near Ashwathkatte, was previously a close associate of Karthik.

According to the Police, Bharath and Dhruvakumar arrived in an autorickshaw, while the other suspects came on two-wheelers, executing a premeditated plan to eliminate Venkatesh.

The victim was driving his Swift car when the assailants blocked his path around 11:45 am and attacked him with lethal weapons in full public view. The attackers reportedly threw chilli powder at Venkatesh before bludgeoning him to death. The car's window panes were shattered, and blood stains were found on the seats.

Police have seized the vehicles and weapons used in the crime. The suspects are expected to be produced in court tomorrow.

Preventing repercussions

On the areas remaining on high alert and foot patrols, Commissioner Seema Latkar said, "Officers, accompanied by Commando Units and staff, conducted special foot patrols across Narasimharaja Constituency to prevent further repercussions after the murder. We did not want criminals to regroup or plan another crime."

The patrols covered key areas, including Shivaji Road, N.R. Mohalla Main Road, Old Kesare areas, Rajendranagar, Udayagiri Main Road, Kyathamaranahalli, Beedi Colony, Gayathripuram Main Road, Ashoka Road, as well as the streets and thoroughfares of Nazarbad, Lashkar Mohalla and Mandi Mohalla.

The operation focused on monitoring anti-social elements, curbing criminal activity, and maintaining law and order. Rowdies, habitual offenders, suspicious individuals and vehicles were thoroughly checked.

Commercial establishments within the jurisdiction were directed to close on time and compliance was strictly enforced. Officers inspected paying guest accommodations, lodges, bars, restaurants, isolated areas and closely monitored suspicious vehicles and individuals, the Commissioner added.

Closure of *Bigg Boss* Kannada House

Vels Studios seeks 15 days time to rectify lapses

Bengaluru, Oct. 8 (Agencies)-Following the closure of *Bigg Boss* Kannada Season-12 house yesterday, set up at Vels Studios and Entertainment Pvt. Limited, Bidadi Industrial Area, Bengaluru South district (formerly Ramanagara district), after a notice was issued to the studio by Karnataka State Pollution Control Board (KSPCB) for alleged violation of rules, the makers of the reality show this morning have written to Bengaluru South District Administration, seeking 15 days time to comply with the conditions laid down by the competent authorities.

Following the swift development, the contestants of the show were shifted to Eagleton - The Golf Resort at Bidadi. The show hosted by renowned Kannada cine actor Sudeep enjoys high rating in Karnataka. Many also condemned the act of closure, stating it would only affect the livelihood of employees working at the studio.

Earlier, the KSPCB officials, who had conducted an inspection, apart from sewage issues, had found solid waste including plastic cups and paper plates not being disposed scientifically. They had also found lapses in the operation of Sewage Treatment Plant (STP) at the premises.

JD(S) blames DKS

Meanwhile, JD(S) has accused Deputy Chief Minister D.K. Shivakumar (DKS) of orchestrating the closure of *Bigg Boss* studio. Labelling him as 'Nut-bolt Minister,' the JD (S) has alleged that the move was nothing but an act of a political revenge as Sudeep had campaigned for BJP during the previous Assembly polls.

It may be recalled, DKS had issued a warning to Kannada film personalities for skipping the inauguration of Bengaluru International Film Festival (BIFFes) in March this year stating he knew "exactly where to tighten the nuts and bolts."

Ongoing Karnataka Caste Census

State extends school holidays till Oct. 18

Mysuru, Oct. 8 (TRR)-The State Government has extended the Dasara holidays for all Government and aided schools until Oct. 18 to facilitate the completion of the comprehensive Socio-Economic Survey, popularly known as the Caste Census. This decision pushes the survey's new deadline to Oct. 18, from the original Oct. 8.

The announcement was made by Chief Minister Siddaramaiah at a press conference in Bengaluru yesterday, following discussions with Cabinet colleagues and officials. The extension was granted following demands from the approximately 1.20 lakh teachers involved in the massive data-collection exercise.

"While the survey is nearly complete in some districts, it remains ongoing in others," the CM stated. He provided a district-wise progress report, noting completion rates of 97 percent in Koppal, 63 percent in Udupi and 60 in Dakshina Kannada.

In a sombre note, the CM disclosed that three survey staff members have died during the course of the work. As a gesture of support, the Government will provide an ex gratia payment of Rs. 20 lakh to each of the bereaved families.

Separately, at a Maharshi Valmiki Jayanti function held at the Vidhana Soudha's Banquet Hall, Chief Minister Siddaramaiah announced that the Valmiki Ramayana will be incorporated into the school curriculum.

This announcement was made in response to an appeal by senior Congress leader V.S. Ugrappa, who advocated for the epic's inclusion in school texts.

Ex-PM Deve Gowda hospitalised

Bengaluru, Oct. 8 (Agencies)-Former Prime Minister and JD(S) Supremo H.D. Deve Gowda has been admitted at Manipal Hospital on old Airport Road in Bengaluru yesterday.

Following complaints of fever and urine infection, the 92-year-old Deve Gowda is being treated at Intensive Care Unit (ICU) of the hospital, by a team of expert doctors. He is likely to be discharged tomorrow or day after, it is said.

Advocates boycott Court

Mysore Bar Association condemns shoe-hurling on Supreme Court CJI

Mysuru, Oct. 8 (GA&DM)- Strongly condemning the act of a senior Supreme Court Advocate hurling a shoe at Chief Justice of India (CJI) B.R. Gavai in a Supreme Court (SC) Courtroom on Monday, city Advocates boycotted the Court proceedings for the day and staged a protest under the aegis of Mysore Bar Association, in front of Mahatma Gandhi's bust, opposite City Law Courts Complex here this morning.

The Advocates, who assembled in front of Mahatma Gandhi's bust after boycotting the Court proceedings, staged the demonstration by holding placards denouncing SC Advocate Rakesh Kishore's act of hurling a shoe at CJI B.R. Gavai and raising slogans against the accused Advocate and in support of the CJI. They registered their protest by burning placards that carried photographs of accused Rakesh Kishore and demanded that he be punished stringently for his disgraceful act.

Mysore Bar Association President S. Lokesh, Vice-President M.V. Chandrashekar, office-bearers K.R. Charanraj, A.G. Sudheer and others were present.

In another protest over the same issue, members of various progressive and Dalit organisations staged a demonstration near Mahatma Gandhi's bust and demanded severe punishment to Advocate Rakesh Kishore.

Former Rangayana Directors Janardhan (Janni) and C. Basavalingaiah, journalist T. Gururaj, farmer leader Hoskote Basavaraj, DSS leader Hariharа Anandaswamy and others were present.

Actor Mohanlal receives commendation from Army Chief

New Delhi, Oct. 8 (Agencies)- Malayalam superstar Mohanlal, who was recently conferred the Dadasaheb Phalke Award, was given a commendation by Indian Army Chief General Upendra Dwivedi in New Delhi yesterday.

Mohanlal, a Lieutenant Colonel in the Territorial Army, said it was an "honour" to receive the commendation from the Army Chief and a "great gesture" from the fraternity of which he has been a part for the past 16 years.

Speaking to the media after the event, the actor said he has been doing all that he can for the Army and for the betterment of civilians.

Mohanlal said that he and the Army Chief also discussed "how to bring more efficiency to the Territorial Army battalions and what can be done for the country. So, it was a small discussion. We have bigger plans to come."

When asked whether he will be doing any films about the armed forces, Mohanlal said that he has done many films about the Army directed by Major Ravi and that they were planning to do some more.

Luxury car smuggling case: ED raids homes of Prithviraj, Dulqer

Kochi, Oct. 8 (Agencies)- The Kochi Zonal Office of the Directorate of Enforcement (ED) on Wednesday conducted simultaneous raids under the Foreign Exchange Management Act (FEMA), 1999, at 17 locations across Kerala and Tamil Nadu as part of an ongoing investigation into the alleged smuggling of high-end pre-owned luxury cars and related unauthorised foreign exchange transactions.

The searches were conducted at the residences and business premises of film actors Prithviraj Sukumaran, Dulqer Salmaan and Amith Chackalackal, as well as at several car owners' residences, automobile workshops and dealerships in Ernakulam, Thrissur, Kozhikode, Malappuram, Kottayam and Coimbatore.

According to an official release from the ED, the operation stemmed from intelligence inputs revealing a syndicate engaged in the illegal import and registration of luxury vehicles, including Toyota Land Cruiser, Land Rover Defender and Maserati models. These vehicles were reportedly brought into India through routes connecting Bhutan and Nepal.

Preliminary findings indicated that a Coimbatore-based network allegedly used forged documents purportedly from the Indian Army, US Embassy and Ministry of External Affairs, along with fake Regional Transport Office (RTO) registrations in Arunachal Pradesh, Himachal Pradesh and other States. The vehicles were then sold to high-net-worth individuals, including film stars, at significantly undervalued prices.

Prithviraj *Dulqer*

The agency stated that it had initiated proceedings after detecting *prima facie* violations of Sections 3, 4, and 8 of FEMA, involving unauthorised foreign exchange dealings and cross-border payments through hawala channels. Investigators are now tracing the money trail, identifying beneficiaries and mapping the flow of foreign exchange connected to the racket.

The ED action follows a large-scale crackdown by the Customs (Preventive) Commissionerate, Kochi, since Sept. 23. Codenamed Operation Numkhor (meaning "vehicle" in Bhutanese), the Customs operation covered over 30 locations, including residences of prominent film personalities, and resulted in the seizure of 39 high-end pre-owned cars suspected to have been smuggled from Bhutan in recent years.

The Customs probe had earlier flagged 150-200 vehicles with registration irregularities in the national transport database, allegedly linked to the same Coimbatore-based network now under ED investigation.

Multiple vehicles owned by Dulqer Salmaan and Amith Chackalackal were among those seized, while officials who searched Prithviraj's residence in Kochi did not seize any vehicles from there.

Obituary

Gangamma

Mysuru, Oct. 8- Gangamma (75), a resident of Bellikatte in Devaraja Mohalla, passed away yesterday in city.

She leaves behind two sons, two daughters, daughters-in-law, sons-in-law, grandchildren and a host of relatives and friends.

She was the aunt of former MLA and City BJP President L. Nagendra and mother-in-law of former Corporator Pramila Bharat.

Last rites were held at the foot of Chamundi Hill this afternoon.

RBBN PRASANNA SUBRAMANYESHWARA SWAMY TEMPLE MANAGEMENT TRUST
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RBBN Prasanna Subramanyeshwara Swamy Temple Management Trust
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PUBLIC NOTICE

Warning against Multiple Trusts with simlar sounding names operating in the name of these two private family Temples constructed by Rao Bahadur Bakshi Narsappa situated at Makkaji Chowk, Devraja Mohalla Mysore- 570001.

It has come to our attention that certain individuals/groups might have registered/attempted to register a parallel temple trust using the names of the two family temples constructed by Rao Bahadur Bakshi Narsappa (RBBN). These Temples are listed below:

Subramanyeshwara Swamy Temple, Sy No 123, Makkaji Chowk, Devraja Mohalla, Mysore

Prasanna Anjaneya Swamy Temple, Sy No 122, Makkaji Chowk, Devraja Mohalla, Mysore

Please be warned that since this is a private family temple, the Temple Management duty and other temple endowments/tastik etc., are hereditarily passed on to Vamshajas of Bakshi Narsappa. As on date the only 2 founders and trustees for this registered trust are Mrs. Meena Srinath and Mrs. Chandrika Manjunath who are the Vamshajes of Rao Bahadur Bakshi Narsappa as per Gov't issued Vamsha Vruksha from Nada Kacheri.

Any other individual/trust that is claiming to be the MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE for either of these family temples built by Rao Bahadur Bakshi Narsappa is making an invalid claim since this trust (Registration No: JAY 4-00439-2025-26 and Reg Date: 21/08/2025) was registered first and is founded by the vamshajas who are the hereditary managers of the temple. As per prevalent law, typically, **only one management committee** is allowed to run a temple at any time.

These other trusts may continue to exist but they cannot claim to be the Management Committee for these two temples. Therefore - Any person/business/government body/ government offical/ organization who engages with any of these various other trusts/trustees for any official matter that concerns these two temples and who does so without the **explicit written authorization of the 2 mentioned founder trustees of this registered trust** is doing so at their own risk.

Further it is made public that the lands of these two Temples belong only to the respective deities and no Person/Organization/ Government body should attempt to claim/ manipulate the land ownership records of these temples without the involvement of the said trust and these two vamshajas/trustees (Registration No: JAY-4-00439-2025-26 and Reg Date: 21/08/2025).

Any Person/Organization/Government body who wishes to clarify/challenge the contents of this notice must do so through an appropriate official/legal process; the communication regarding which needs to be sent to both the trustees and at the registered trust address shared above. This communication must reach us within the next 7 working days. After 2 weeks time this notice will also be further submitted to the Karnataka Gazette as a matter of public record.

Legal Disclaimer

The issuer of this notice is providing this information for public awareness and is not responsible for any losses incurred by engaging with the potentially invalid/ illegitimate entity or persons mentioned herein. All individuals and organizations are urged to exercise extreme caution and conduct thorough due diligence before entering any dealings with any organization other than the registered trust that constitutes the management committee for the two temples. (Registration No: JAY-400439-2025-26 and Reg Date 21/08/2025).

For
RBBN Prasanna Subramanyeshwara Swamy Temple Management Trust
Registration No: JAY-4-00439-2025-26
Sd/- President & Founder Trustee

THE LIGHTER SIDE

By Dr. R. Balasubramaniam

A Day in the Life of Dr. Anand Sharma

Medicine has long been a noble profession. Once, doctors were figures of authority. Their advice respected, their judgement trusted and their long hours of training unquestioned. Fast forward to 2024 and practicing medicine sometimes feels like stepping onto the stage of *"Whose Line Is It Anyway?"* — where the points do not matter, the scripts are constantly rewritten and the patients often supply the punchlines.

Dr. Anand Sharma (name changed), my classmate and friend, knows this better than anyone. We graduated in a time when "internet" was a whispered curiosity and "search engine" was what you used to find your misplaced car keys under the bonnet.

Back then, patients believed their doctors. Now, I do not practice clinical medicine (thankfully) and Dr. Sharma often finds himself competing with the collective wisdom of WebMD, AI chatbots and the most obscure corners of the internet.

Take Mrs. Gopal, 78, a sprightly woman with a penchant for drama. She arrived at Dr. Sharma's clinic last Tuesday, convinced she had contracted a rare Amazonian beetle infection. Her evidence was a particularly vibrant rash on her arm and a printout from a blog ominously titled *"Are You Hosting the Amazon's Tiniest Tenant?"* She had already tried a concoction of oregano oil, activated charcoal and turmeric, recommended by a "natural health guru" whose medical qualifications seemed limited to an impressive collection of house plants.

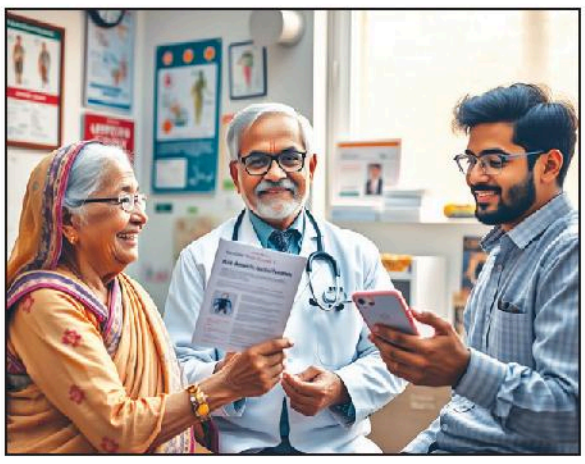
"Mrs. Gopal," Dr. Sharma began, his voice carefully calibrated from decades of practice, "while the Amazon rainforest is indeed fascinating, I believe we might be dealing with… poison ivy."

But Mrs. Gopal's eyes were glued to her printout. "But the blog said the beetles are invisible!" she protested. "And the itching is exactly as described — a 'fiery dance of a thousand tiny legs!'"

After ten minutes, a magnifying glass and a sniff test that would make most people faint, Dr. Sharma finally convinced her that her only Amazonian tenant was a Prime delivery box waiting patiently at her doorstep.

Then there is the new breed of 'modern' patient — *the self-diagnosing expert*. Mr. Kumar, 30, strutted into Dr. Sharma's office last month, armed with a weekend's worth of AI consultation. According to "Professor GPT," an AI that had apparently spent its digital infancy studying obscure medical journals, he had systemic sclerosis — a rare autoimmune disease affecting the skin.

"It is progressive," he announced proudly, waving his phone. "Potential organ damage. I have start-



ed a ketogenic diet and am considering moving to a warmer climate."

Dr. Sharma examined his toenails. Remarkably normal, aside from a slight yellowing — likely a combination of bad pedicures and ill-fitting shoes. Suppressing laughter, he suggested that Mr. Kumar's condition might simply be a fungal infection.

The look of betrayal on Mr. Kumar's face was priceless, as if my friend had just revealed that his beloved cat was a government surveillance device. "But Professor GPT was so sure!" he exclaimed, scrolling frantically.

"Professor GPT," Dr. Sharma explained, "is articulate and clever, but it does not have a medical degree, x-ray vision or the ability to smell a good old-fashioned athlete's foot. It does have a tendency to hallucinate — very eloquently."

Then there was Mrs. Rao, who arrived with a fully planned treatment regimen prescribed by "Dr. Chatbot." Her instructions included kale smoothies, interpretive dance and daily affirmations to "realign her energetic chakras."

"And what exactly are your symptoms, Mrs. Rao?" Dr. Sharma asked, trying to maintain his professional composure as she demonstrated a particularly enthusiastic chakra-realignment move in the consultation room.

"Oh, just a general feeling of… disharmony," she said mid-pirouette, "and my left big toe has been twitching."

"And the dance has helped with the twitching toe?" he asked, pen poised over his notes.

"Not really," she admitted. "But I feel more… aligned."

Dr. Sharma's days often follow a similar pattern; a mix of genuine medical challenges, human idiosyncrasies and the occasional AI-fuelled misadventure. Patients arrive convinced they are hosting Amazonian tenants, developing autoimmune disorders overnight or treating themselves according to advice from a machine that has never set foot in a clinic.

The challenge is not just diagnosing illness — it is navigating the digital noise. It is persuading a patient to let a doctor examine them before debating the merits of garlic enemas or turmeric wraps. It is the delicate balance of respecting a patient's autonomy while gently pointing out that a runny nose is not a symptom of alien abduction.

The reality is that AI cannot replace the nuanced human understanding that Dr. Sharma brings to his practice. Algorithms cannot detect the fear hidden in a patient's eyes, the subtle tremor in their voice or the faint whisper of a heart murmur. They cannot palpate a swollen lymph node, sense the early signs of infection or interpret the complex interplay of genetics, lifestyle and environment that shapes health.

Even with AI, the human touch remains indispensable. Dr. Sharma listens, empathises and deciphers the unspoken skills that no chatbot, however sophisticated, can replicate. Whether it is calming a frazzled patient, explaining why the Amazon beetle is a myth or gently breaking the news that their ketogenic diet will not cure a fungal infection, his expertise lies in human connection as much as medical knowledge.

And yet, there is humour in the chaos. Dr. Sharma sometimes sighs inwardly as a patient insists that their persistent cough is caused by "space fungus," but he also smiles knowing that his role — sifting through misinformation, applying experience and offering calm guidance — has never been more essential. On particularly busy days, he might even joke that his primary prescription should be "unplug from the internet."

In 2024, medicine is no longer just a battle against disease; it is a dance with technology, misinformation and human imagination. Doctors like Dr. Sharma navigate these challenges daily, providing care that combines knowledge, patience and humour. And while AI may dazzle with vocabulary and citation, it cannot replace the human heart, mind and touch at the core of healing.

So, as Dr. Sharma heads into yet another consultation — this time with a patient convinced of spontaneous human combustion — one can only wish him luck. In an era where everyone has an opinion, a search history and sometimes an AI assistant, the role of the doctor is as critical, complex and occasionally hilarious as ever.

[Dr. R. Balasubramaniam is the Founder of Swami Vivekananda Youth Movement. 'The Lighter Side' is a series of satirical articles meant to bring a smile by highlighting the funny side of everyday life.]

'Provide 5% reservation in admission to disabled students'

Disabilities Commissioner visits KSOU

Mysuru, Oct. 8- Das Suryawanshi, State Commissioner for Office of the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act - Karnataka, has urged Karnataka State Open University (KSOU) to provide five percent reservation in admissions to disabled candidates.

Suryawanshi

Speaking during his visit to KSOU in city on Monday, Suryawanshi said, KSOU must introduce Under Graduate (UG) and Post-Graduate (PG) courses like Special B.Ed and M.Ed for the benefit of disabled students, along with extending five percent reservation in enrolment for Ph.D and all other UG and PG courses. If KSOU initiates any letter correspondence, facilitation will be provided for consent, as the Varsities have a key role to play in reaching the facilities of the Government to disabled persons, he opined.

KSOU Dean (Academic) Prof. M. Ramanatham Naidu took Suryawanshi to studio of the Varsity, followed by study materials section, library and evaluation sections and explained about the functioning of respective departments. Suryawanshi, who lauded the functioning of KSOU, assured to organise a conference henceforth in association with KSOU.

KSOU Finance Officer Prof. Niranjan Raj, Registrar (Evaluation) Prof. C.S. Anand Kumar, Dean (Study Centre) Dr. Chandregowda, Deans, faculty and non-teaching faculty were present.

Mandya boy makes it big

Kruthik Krishna selected for Ranji Trophy

Mysuru, Oct. 8 (VNS)- Kruthik Krishna, a wicket-keeper batsman from Karnataka State Cricket Association (KSCA), Mysuru Zone, has been selected to represent Karnataka in the famed Ranji Trophy. Kruthik will be seen in action playing against Saurashtra at the Ranji Trophy starting from Oct. 15.

A native of Mandya, popularly known as Sugar Town for its sugarcane cultivation, Kruthik Krishna started to play cricket when he was in class 3 at 7 Hills Cricket Academy in the town, under the guidance of his coach M. Mahadev. Later, for better opportunities, he shifted to Mysuru and started to play for Rao Bahadur Narasappa Cricket Club (RBNCC) 'A' team in KSCA Mysuru Zonal League matches, which he still continues. He also plays for Vultures Cricket Team in Bengaluru League.

Wicket-keeper batsman Kruthik Krishna.

Played for U-19 India

Kruthik, who has represented Karnataka in almost all levels, was one among the 10 budding wicket-keepers identified by Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI) for a Specialist Camp held in 2018 under the tutelage of former Indian players and popular wicket-keepers Kiran More and Ajay Ratra. He was selected to represent U-19 India 'B' Team at the Challenger Trophy in 2019 and later U-19 main team.

Speaking to *Star of Mysore* this morning, Kruthik Krishna said it was like a dream come true for him for having made it to the Karnataka Ranji squad.

"Hailing from a town like Mandya, I always had a dream of playing for Karnataka at the Ranji Trophy. I am thankful to all my coaches and my family for their constant support," he said.

Second from Mandya

It is also a proud moment for Mandya, as Kruthik Krishna is only the second player, after medium-pacer H.S. Sharath, from the town to be selected for Ranji Trophy. He is also the third player from RBNCC to be selected for the Karnataka Team at the Ranji Trophy.

Apart from Kruthik Krishna, previously cricketers Sai Eshwar and Nikkin Jose, who represented RBNCC, had played for Karnataka at Ranji Trophy. In fact, currently Nikkin Jose is in Ranji squad.

RBNCC proud

S. Balachandar, Secretary, RBNCC, said the entire RBNCC family was extremely happy for Kruthik's latest feat. "It is a well-deserved opportunity for a talented cricketer who has come from a town like Mandya," he added.

Kruthik's father G.S. Krishna Shetty is a businessman in Mandya and his mother M.R. Krupa is a pharmacist at Employees State Insurance Corporation (ESIC).

Vinoo Mankad Trophy - 2025

Anvay Dravid to lead Karnataka U-19 team

Bengaluru, Oct. 8 (Agencies)- Anvay Dravid, younger son of legendary cricketer Rahul Dravid, has been made the captain of U-19 Karnataka cricket team for the upcoming Vinoo Mankad Trophy. The tournament will be held at Dehradun from Oct.9 to 17.

Anvay, a wicket-keeper batsman, was the leading run-getter for Karnataka in the previous instalment of the age-group tournament. He was also awarded the 'Best Junior Cricketer' by Karnataka State Cricket Association (KSCA) recently.

Anvay Dravid

U-19 Karnataka Team: Anvay Dravid (Captain, Wicket-Keeper), S. Manikanth (Vice-Captain), Nitish Arya, Adarsh D. Urs, Praneeth Shetty, Vasav Venkatesh, Akshath Prabhakar, C. Vaibhav, Kuldeep Singh Purohit, B.R. Rathan, Vaibhav Sharma, K.A. Tejas, Atharv Malviya, Sunny Kanchi and Rehan Mohammed.

Dr. K.B. Ganapathy Memorial Road Races on Oct. 19

Mysuru, Oct. 8 (KS)- Mysore Athletics Club will be conducting Dr. K.B. Ganapathy Memorial Road Races for students (both boys and girls) on Oct. 19 at 6 am at University Oval Grounds.

While 100 mts track race will be held for children below five years, 400 mts race will be held for Primary School students, 800 mts race for Middle School, 1.5-km race for High School and 2-km race for PUC students.

Students should register their names with Club Organising Secretary G.R. Prabhakar (Mob: 97519-71978) or Vice-President C.K. Muralidharan (Mob: 98452-31243), according to Club Secretary M. Yogendra.

MYSORE RACES 2025

(By Our Racing Correspondent)

'Power of Gold' for Chief Minister's Cup

Mysuru, Oct. 8- Following are the selections for the 10th Day of Mysore Monsoon Races to be held here on Thursday (Oct. 9, 2025):

1.	2.30 PM	**THE DUPONT PLATE DIV-II** 1200 mts. - rated 20 to 45 (Mysore-based horses) *1. SECRET SHADOW 2. ANUSHTUBHA*
2.	3.00 PM	**THE DUPONT PLATE DIV-I** 1200 mts. - rated 20 to 45 (Mysore-based horses) *1. MAGIC CIRCLE 2. MAYBURY*
3.	3.30 PM	**THE GOOL & SOLI POONAWALLA MEMORIAL TROPHY** 1400 mts, 3 years (terms) *1.GODDESS OF WAR 2. VALIANT STREAM*
4.	4.00 PM	**THE CHIEF MINISTER'S CUP** 1600 mts. - rated 20 to 45 *1. POWER OF GOLD 2. YUKIKAZE*
5.	4.30 PM	**THE HOTEL RRR TROPHY** 1200 mts. - rated 40 to 65 (Mysore-based horses) *1. OCEAN 2. SHEROUK*
6.	5.00 PM	**THE COORG PLATE** 1100 mts. - rated 40 to 65 *1. VAYU 2. DUFY*

DAY'S BEST: *GODDESS OF WAR*
DOUBLE: *1. MAGIC CIRCLE 2. OCEAN*
JACKPOT: *2,3,4,5,6* ***MINI JACKPOT:*** *3,4,5,6*
I TREBLE: *1,2,3* ***II TREBLE:*** *4,5,6*
EXACTAS: *1 to 6*

—Tipster PGC

Anil Kumble, his wife visit Shivanasamudra Temple

Chamarajanagar, Oct. 8- Former Cricketer Anil Kumble, who is also the Ambassador of the Karnataka Forest Department and for Wildlife Conservation, yesterday visited the Temple Complex in Shivanasamudra, Kollegal taluk in Chamarajanagar district and offered special prayers. He visited the Meenakshi Prasanna Temple, which houses the Sri Chakra created by Sri Shankaracharya and Shimsha Maramma Temple, along with his wife Chetana and had darshan of the deities.

Later, the couple visited Bharachukki Falls.

Assistant Conservator of Forests (ACF) Shivaram, Rural Police Station staff Raghavendra, Pravasi Mithra staff Huchappa and other officers accompanied them during their visit.

WORD OF THE DAY

Impetuous

Pronunciation: im-PECH-uh-wus (adjective).
Meaning: Impetuous is a synonym of impulsive that describes a person who is acting without thought, or an action that is done without thought.
Origin: Impetuous types make impetuous decisions: they leap before they look, put carts before horses, count their chickens before even the tiniest of cracks appear on the eggs. In other words, they're impulsive. The etymology of impetuous is also impulsive but in a literal way: it traces back to the Latin word impetus, meaning "impulse, driving force," as well as "assault." English impetus, also meaning "impulse, driving force" (among other things), has the same source.
Example: "She takes off, impetuous and alone, for a cross-country trip, seeking some kind of self-understanding as she ultimately lands in the forests of California's redwood country, finding both a sanctuary and, whether she knows it or not, a bucket-list tribute to her late son." —Greg Evans, Deadline, 28 Apr. 2025

THE ODD WORD

Impavid
Fearless; undaunted.

PHRASE OF THE DAY

If you can't take the heat

Meaning: The phrase 'If you can't take the heat' indicates that if one is unable to cope with a stressful situation, then one should leave it to someone else who can handle it. The expression is also commonly used as 'If you can't stand the heat, get out of the kitchen'
Origin: The phrase 'If you can't stand the heat, get out of the kitchen' is widely attributed to Harry S. Truman, who used it already in 1942, while he was still a Senator. 'The Soda Springs Sun', a local newspaper in Idaho, quoted Truman this way: "Favorite rejoinder of Senator Harry S. Truman, when a member of his war contracts investigating committee objects to his strenuous pace: 'If you don't like the het, get out of the kitchen'." In 1949, President Truman used another version of the phrase, a bit closer to the one we use today, to tell his staff not to be overly concerned about criticism related to their appointments: "I'll stand by (you) but if you can't take the heat, get out of the kitchen."
Example: Sam: "I'm really stressed about all the cold calling I have to do for work." Mark: "Maybe you should find a different job. You know what they say: If you can't stand the heat, get out of the kitchen."

QUOTE BOX

He who cannot put his thoughts on ice should not enter into the heat of dispute. **—Friedrich Nietzsche**

RIDDLE THIS

Solve the rebus:

Tnorf
Tnorf

Answer: Back to front.

SUDOKU

				3		7	2	4
9					4	3		5
		4						
	9				3	2		1
1		5	8				6	
						5		
6		7	9					2
5	4	8		1				

Answer to previous puzzle

4	5	9	7	6	8	2	3	1
6	7	2	3	5	1	4	9	8
1	8	3	4	9	2	7	6	5
7	1	8	9	2	3	5	4	6
3	6	4	5	1	7	8	2	9
9	2	5	8	4	6	1	7	3
8	9	1	6	7	4	3	5	2
2	4	6	1	3	5	9	8	7
5	3	7	2	8	9	6	1	4

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Concept is Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

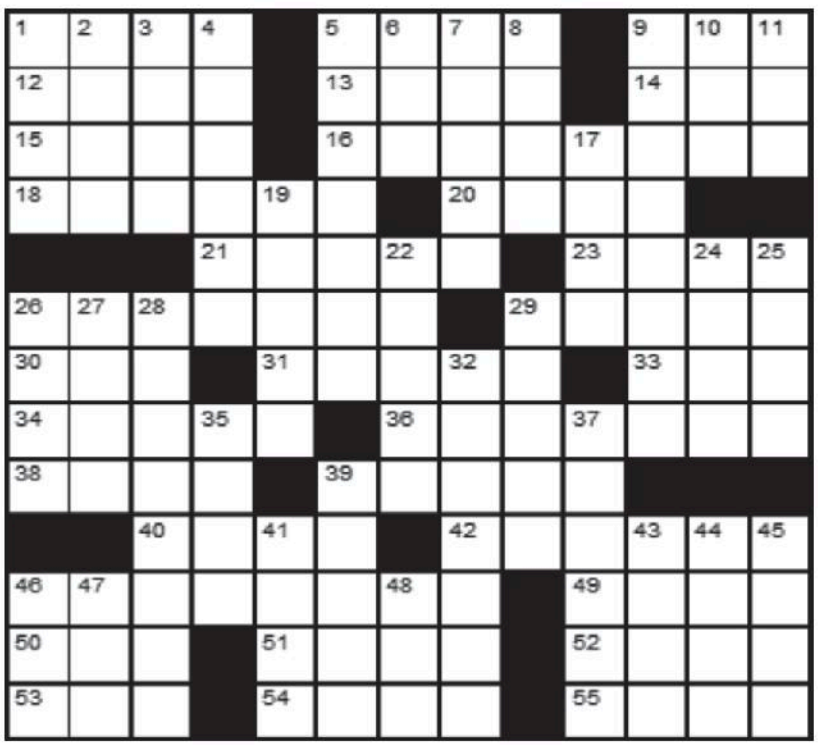
CROSS WORD

ACROSS:
1 Great story
5 Half (prefix)
9 __ __ good boy : behave yourself (2,1)
12 Thin
13 Series of spirals
14 Appropriate
15 Plaintiff
16 Form the basis of?
18 Nearly
20 Figure-skating jump
21 Insects attracted by light or fire
23 Auld Lang ___ : days of long ago ?
26 Small anatomical cavities - "veal oil" anagram?
29 An early anaesthetic
30 A wreath of flowers in Hawaii
31 ___ firma : good old earth?
33 Western org.
34 Not at all pleased
36 Aerodrome
38 Ms. Mukherjee of Bollywood
39 State indirectly
40 Flat and level
42 Inn-yard's horse-handler
46 Tries
49 Chop into pieces
50 Took a load off?
51 Highly recommended
52 Alright
53 Shade, tint
54 It fits to _ ___ (it fits perfectly) (1,3)
55 ___ Diamond : famous singer?

YESTERDAY'S ANSWER

L	A	I	C		H	O	W	L		V	E	X
U	N	C	O		T	R	I	O		A	D	V
M	O	O	R		C	O	N	C	E	R	T	I
P	A	N	D	A			D	U	M	A		
			O	M	A	N		M	O	N	E	T
D	O	U	B	T	F	U	L			A	R	I
E	D	N	A		A	T	O		A	S	A	N
B	E	D			R	A	P	I	D	I	T	Y
T	A	R	O	T		N	E	R	O			
		F	R	A	S			E	R	U	P	T
W	H	A	C	K	I	N	G		N	E	A	R
H	U	M		E	L	S	A		E	L	S	E
Y	E	T		S	L	E	D		D	E	S	K

DOWN
1 Born Free lioness
2 One of the Apostles
3 Article
4 Silvery metal
5 Scurry, sink a boat
6 Long time
7 Rich king of legend
8 Holly
9 Hype
10 Center starter
11 Took food
17 Take it easy
19 Covered with lampblack?
22 "I harm" anagram for a Biblical person?
24 Close at hand
25 Formerly - "rest" anagram?
26 Winglike
27 Siberian river
28 Word picture
29 Members of the British nobility
32 Sharp reply
35 Split or cleave
37 Large snake
39 Computer data
41 Jane Austen novel
43 Body of water
44 Morales of movies
45 Welsh seaside resort
46 Powdery residue
47 Greek letter
48 "Set" anagram twice repeated for a poisonous fly



CRYPTOQUIP

The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

TQ MISW MIO PMCSL UOSS UACO SMXO QAMK QBSFO

SMXO, BF MIO PBI UOSS KCFZAMMKF QAMK UMBLFUMMSF

TODAY'S CLUE: M EQUALS O

Yesterday's Cryptoquip: Our mind is capable of passing beyond the dividing line we have drawn for it. Beyond the pairs of opposites of which the world consists, other, new insights begin.

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		7.10 pm, 10.30 pm
	(S-3)	10.15 am, 1.35 pm
		4.45 pm, 8.15 pm
	(S-4)	9 am, 12.20 pm, 3.40 pm
		7.05 pm, 10.30 pm
Sunny Sanskari Ki Tulsi Kumari (H)	(S-1)	4.40 pm
	(S-2)	10.15 am, 7.10 pm
Idli Kadai (Ta)	(S-2)	1.10 pm, 4.10 pm
Avatar: The Way of Water (E)	(S-2)	10 pm

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Kantara: A Legend Chapter - 1 (K)	:	8.45 am, 10 am, 10.45 am
		11.15 am, 12 noon, 1.30 pm
		2.15 pm, 3.15 pm, 5 pm
		5.55 pm, 6.30 pm, 8.30 pm
		9.20 pm, 9.45 pm
Idli Kadai (Ta)	:	6.55 pm, 9.45 pm

MOVIES AT NEXUS MALL

Kantara: A Legend Chapter - 1 (K)	:	6.30 am, 6.30 am, 6.55 am
		7.50 am, 8.20 am, 8.50 am
		10.10 am, 10.30 am, 11.15 am
		11.45 am 12.15 pm, 1.40 pm
		2 pm, 2.40 pm, 3.10 pm
		3.40 pm, 5.10 pm, 5.30 pm
		6.05 pm, 6.35 pm, 7.05 pm
		8.35 pm, 9 pm, 9.30 pm
		10 pm, 10.30 pm
Sunny Sanskari Ki Tulsi Kumari (H)	:	10.20 am, 4.20 pm, 10.25 pm
Idli Kadai (Ta)	:	1.15 pm, 7.20 pm

MOVIES AT GARUDA MALL

Kantara: A Legend Chapter- 1 (K)	:	7.20 am, 8.15 am, 8.20 am
		9.50 am, 10.45 am, 11.35 am
		11.45 am, 2.10 pm, 3,10 pm
		4.10 pm, 5.35 pm, 6.05 pm
		6.35 pm, 9 pm
		10 pm 10.30 pm
Sunny Sanskari Ki Tulsi Kumari (H)	:	1.15 pm, 7.35 pm
Idli Kadai (Ta)	:	3 pm, 9.30 pm

EVENTS TODAY (OCT. 8)

- **Inchara Kalakshetra:** Handmade (Paper Pulp) Doll Show by K.S. Raghavendra — Over 500 dolls of Paper Pulp depicting Sri Srinivasa Kalyana, Sri Raghavendra Swamy Mahime and Dashavataradalli Sri Krishna Bala Leele — Inchara Kalakshetra, #149/150, 4th Cross, 3rd Main, Mahadeshwaranagar, Vijayanagar 2nd Stage, **10 am to 1 pm and 4 pm to 8 pm.** [Mob: 98867-64542 or 98867-21171]
- **Gemini Circus:** 3 shows at Horse Park Grounds, near Karanji Lake, **1 pm, 4 pm and 7 pm.**
- **Karnataka Exhibition Authority (KEA):** Dasara Exhibition, Dasara Exhibition Grounds, **3 pm to 10 pm.**
- **Sadhana Mandira:** Special Training Sessions - Learn & Perform, Simple and Diligent, Saraswati Puja with meaning, symbolism, significance, importance, advantages and methodology by Swami Hamsananda, Yedatore Sri Yoganandeshwara Mutt, #211, 2nd Main, Metagalli Extension, **4.45 pm to 5.30 pm;** Sri Krishna Mandira, 6th Main, 3rd Stage, Gokulam, **6 pm to 6.45 pm;** Samudaya Bhavana, near Gurudwara, Brindavan Extension 2nd Stage, **7 pm to 7.45 pm.**

EVENTS TOMORROW (OCT. 9)

- **The Department of Physical Education & Sports, GSSS Simha Subbamahalakshmi First Grade College (GSSS SSFGC), Mysuru:** Inauguration of Mysore City Inter-Collegiate Men's Volleyball and Women's Kabaddi Tournament 2025-26, College auditorium, Metagalli, **9 am.**
- **Inchara Kalakshetra:** Handmade (Paper Pulp) Doll Show by K.S. Raghavendra — Over 500 dolls of Paper Pulp depicting Sri Srinivasa Kalyana, Sri Raghavendra Swamy Mahime and Dashavataradalli Sri Krishna Bala Leele — Inchara Kalakshetra, #149/150, 4th Cross, 3rd Main, Mahadeshwaranagar, Vijayanagar 2nd Stage, **10 am to 1 pm and 4 pm to 8 pm.** [Mob: 98867-64542 or 98867-21171]
- **Gemini Circus:** 3 shows at Horse Park Grounds, near Karanji Lake, **1 pm, 4 pm and 7 pm.**
- **St. Philomena's College:** INCEPTA 2025, Foundation Day & celebrating installation of the new Bishop of Mysore Diocese, College Auditorium, **10.30 am.**
- **Sadhana Mandira:** Special Training Sessions - Learn & Perform, Simple and Diligent, Saraswati Puja with meaning, symbolism, significance, importance, advantages and methodology by Swami Hamsananda, Yedatore Sri Yoganandeshwara Mutt, #211, 2nd Main, Metagalli Extension, **4.45 pm to 5.30 pm;** Sri Krishna Mandira, 6th Main, 3rd Stage, Gokulam, **6 pm to 6.45 pm;** Samudaya Bhavana, near Gurudwara, Brindavan Extension 2nd Stage, **7 pm to 7.45 pm.**

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MOVIES AT MALL OF MYSORE

Kantara: A Legend Chapter- 1 (K)	:	7.30 am, 8 am, 8.55 am
		11.15 am, 12.15 pm, 1 pm
		2.40 pm, 3.10 pm, 3.40 pm
		6.05 pm, 6.35 pm, 7.05 pm
		9.30 pm, 10 pm
		10.20 pm, 10.30 pm
Idli Kadai (Ta)	:	10 am, 4.25 pm
Sunny Sanskari Ki Tulsi Kumari (H)	:	12.20 pm, 7.30 pm

MOVIES AT CENTRO MALL

Kantara: A Legend Chapter - 1 (K)	:	8 am, 12,15 pm
		3.40 pm, 7,05 pm
		10.30 pm
Sunny Sanskari Ki Tulsi Kumari (H)	:	10.10 am, 4.25 pm
		10.20 pm
Idli Kadai (Ta)	:	12.05 pm
		7.15 pm
Avatar: The Way of Water (E)	:	9.30 pm

NOTE: Movie timings published here are subject to sudden change by the theatre managements. The films are also liable to be changed in multiplexes if there is no minimum audience of 15.

Wins medals in Swimming

S. Shreyas

Mysuru, Oct. 8- S. Shreyas, a I PUC student of Sri Sathya Sai Baba PU College, Jayalakshmipuram, Mysuru, who secured gold medal in 1,500 mts Freestyle, silver medals in 100 mts Breast Stroke and 50 mts Breast Stroke in the District-level Swimming Competition, has been selected for the State-level Competition.

Inter-collegiate tournament

Mysuru, Oct. 8- The Department of Physical Education & Sports, GSSS Simha Subbamahalakshmi First Grade College (GSSS SSFGC), Mysuru, has organised the Mysore City Inter-Collegiate Men's Volleyball and Women's Kabaddi Tournament 2025-26 on Oct. 9 from 9 am at the College auditorium in Metagalli, Mysuru.

Dr. B. Sadashiva Bhat, President, Mysuru District Weight Lifters Association and Treasurer, Karnataka State Weightlifters Association, Bengaluru, will be the chief guest.

Anthony Moses, Physical Education Director, Teresian College, Mysuru, will be the Convener (MCICT).

Anupama B. Pandit, Secretary, GSSS, Mysuru, will preside over the inaugural event.

Dr. T.S. Rakesh, Principal, GSSS Simha Subbamahalakshmi First Grade College and R.K. Bharath, Member & CEO, GSSS, N.K. Seethamma and K.S. Prathap Kumar, Assistant Professors, Department of Commerce, GSSS SSFGC, will be present on the occasion.

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